

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph [0015] beginning at page 4, with the following rewritten paragraph:

---[0015] In one aspect of the present invention, a system and method manage delivery of energy from a distribution network to one or more sites. Each site has at least one device coupled to the distribution network. The at least one device controllably consumes energy. The system includes a node and a control system. The node is coupled to the at least one device for sensing and controlling energy delivered to the device. A control system is coupled to the node and distribution network for delivering to the node at least one characteristic of the distribution network. The node controls the supply of energy to the device as a function of the at least one characteristic.---

Please replace the Abstract of the Disclosure with the attached rewritten Abstract.